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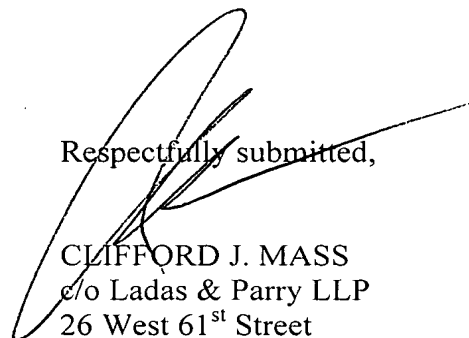
Careful consideration has been given to the Official Action of September 14, 2007 and reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

All of the rejected claims have been cancelled without prejudice.

Claims 8-9, 14, 20, and 22-24, which the Examiner indicated to include allowable subject matter, have been rewritten in independent form incorporating the necessary limitations and are respectfully submitted to be in condition for allowance. The Examiner's remarks concerning claim 24 in parenthesis at the end of the first paragraph of the section of the Official Action entitled "Allowable Subject Matter" is not clear as there appears to be no claim objection to claim 24 in the preceeding pages of the Official Action.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance and early notice thereof is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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